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5	Plai	ntiff,	
6	v.		Case No.
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11	DEPC	SITION OF NAKUL KARKA	ARE, M.D.
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N. KARKARE

THE REPORTER: Good afternoon. My name is Paul Chamberlain; I am the reporter assigned by Veritext to take the record of this proceeding. We are now on the record at 12:06 p.m.

This is the deposition of Nakul
Karkare taken in the matter of AA Medical,
P.C. against Iron Workers Locals 40, 361,
and 417 Health Fund on August 28, 2024.

I am a notary authorized to take acknowledgments and administer oaths in New York. Parties agree that I will swear in the witness remotely outside of his presence.

Additionally, absent an objection on the record before the witness is sworn, all parties and the witness understand and agree that any certified transcript produced from the recording virtually of this proceeding:

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2	stenographic means; and
3	- shall constitute written
4	stipulation of such.
5	At this time will everyone in
6	attendance please identify yourself for
7	the record, beginning with Plaintiff's
8	counsel.
9	MR. MILUN: Ryan Milun, The Milun Law
10	Firm, for the plaintiff.
11	MR. KEANE: Tom Keane, Colleran,
12	O'Hara & Mills, for the defendant.
13	THE REPORTER: And
14	DR. KARKARE: And you got me. Nakul
15	Karkare. I'm the owner of AA Medical,
16	P.C.
17	THE REPORTER: Thank you. And will
18	you please state your address for the
19	record?
20	DR. KARKARE: Sure. My address is
21	2500 Nesconset Highway, Stony Brook, New
22	York. Let's see. The ZIP Code there is
23	11790.
24	THE REPORTER: Thank you. Hearing no
25	objection, I will now swear in the

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2	witness. Please raise your right hand.
3	WHEREUPON,
4	NAKUL KARKARE, M.D.,
5	called as a witness and having been first
6	duly sworn to tell the truth, the whole
7	truth, and nothing but the truth, was
8	examined and testified as follows:
9	THE REPORTER: Thank you. You may
10	proceed.
11	MR. KEANE: All right. Thank you.
12	EXAMINATION
13	BY MR. KEANE:
14	Q Dr. Karkare, my name's Tom
15	Keane. I'm the attorney for the
16	defendant, the Iron Workers Local 40, 361,
17	and 417 Health Fund.
18	A Hello.
19	Q Hello. I have some questions
20	for you today. Hopefully, we'll be able
21	to move through this relatively quickly.
22	So before we get started, is anyone else
23	in the room with you?
24	A No.
25	Q Okay. Now, have you ever been

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2	deposed before, Dr. Karkare?
3	A Yes, for workers' compensation
4	as a witness. I am the treating doctor
5	for numerous patients who have workers'
6	compensation insurance, and I do get
7	deposed for those cases.
8	Q So I'm just going to go over
9	some instructions with you. And I do want
10	to make sure am I pronouncing your last
11	name correctly, sir?
12	A The beauty about my last name is
13	whichever way you say it, it's right. So
14	it's good.
15	Q Well, I if I do mispronounce
16	your name, please tell me.
17	A Right.
18	Q I want to show you that
19	courtesy.
20	A No. It's fine. It's Karkare.
21	Q Karkare?
22	A Karkare. Like a car. Karkare.
23	Q Okay. Thank you. So all of
24	your answers today need to be verbal.
25	Only one person should be speaking at a

Page 8 1 N. KARKARE 2 I'll ask that you wait until I finish asking the question before you 3 answer, and I will extend that same 4 5 courtesy to you. 6 Α Okay. 7 Q If, for whatever reason, you 8 need to take a break today -- use the 9 bathroom, stretch your legs -- that's 10 All I would ask is that you answer 11 any pending questions before you take the 12 break. 13 Α Got it. 14 I'd ask that if you don't 15 understand a question that you tell me 16 that you don't understand the question, 17 and I'll try to rephrase it to make it 18 clearer. 19 Got it. Α 20 Did you review any documents 0 21 before today's deposition? 22 Α Yeah. I reviewed the clinicals. 23 Q Any other documents? 24 That's it. Α 25 Q Did you speak with anyone, other

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2	than your attorney, about this deposition?
3	A No.
4	Q All right. So where are you
5	currently employed?
6	A I am employed by my own
7	practice, AA Medical, P.C. I'm the owner
8	of the business.
9	Q And how long have you owned AA
10	Medical?
11	A Since 2012.
12	Q All right. And you're aware
13	that AA Medical filed the lawsuit against
14	my client, the Iron Workers Health Fund?
15	A Yes.
16	Q And for ease for just ease of
17	the conversation, if I refer to "the
18	Health Fund," I'm referring to the Iron
19	Workers Local 43, 361, and 417 Health
20	Fund.
21	A Okay.
22	Q Does that make sense to you?
23	A Got it.
24	Q Thank you. All right. So are
25	you familiar with the date of service

Page 10 1 N. KARKARE 2 or the service that's at issue in this lawsuit? 3 Α Yeah. I have the clinicals. 4 I 5 can pull them up, if you like. 6 0 We might get into that, but --7 Α Okay. 8 0 Do you know when the date of 9 service was for this? 10 Α I'll have to look. If you want 11 me to look, I can tell you. 12 Well, so generally, I want you 13 to testify as to what you recall. I may 14 put some documents on the screen, or as we 15 go through the deposition, but I'd 16 rather -- if you don't remember, or you're 17 not sure, I'd rather you tell me that. 18 Α Right. I -- I -- my 19 recollection -- I don't want to rely on 20 I can read the documents to you. Ι 21 am not the surgeon who treated the 22 patient, for the record. So whatever I do 23 today will be based on the documents. 24 Q Okay. Then why don't we do 25 I'm going to put -- can we just go

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2	off the record for a second?
3	THE REPORTER: Sure. Off the record,
4	12:13.
5	(Off the record.)
6	THE REPORTER: Back on the record,
7	12:13.
8	BY MR. KEANE:
9	Q All right. So I'm putting on
10	the screen now Dr. Karkare, can you
11	confirm that you can see this?
12	A Yes. Yeah. Very clear.
13	Q All right. Thank you. Do you
14	need me to zoom in at all?
15	A No. I can read.
16	Q I'll zoom in a little just to
17	make it easier.
18	A Okay. Thank you.
19	Q So when you said you reviewed
20	"the clinicals," is this the sort of
21	document that you were reviewing?
22	A I reviewed the chart, so this
23	gets placed into the chart, and this is
24	the intake.
25	Q Okay. This is the intake.

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2	$A \qquad Mm-hmm.$
3	Q This is still the intake?
4	A Yeah.
5	Q Okay. Now this is these are
6	documents that were provided by your
7	attorneys in response to discovery
8	demand
9	A Okay.
10	Q from my office.
11	A Okay.
12	Q So I'm just scrolling through to
13	where I think the chart is
14	A Okay.
15	Q but bear with me for a
16	moment.
17	A Okay.
18	Q This all appears to still be the
19	intake form?
20	A Yeah.
21	Q Thank you. Now, this document
22	here gesundheit. Do you need a moment,
23	sir?
24	A No. I'm good.
25	Q Okay. Now, this document here,

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2	the "Self-Insurance Claim Form," we'll get
3	to it. But this is not part of the chart;
4	correct?
5	A That's right.
6	Q All right. So here on the 13th
7	page of the production St. Catherine of
8	Siena Medical Center is this the chart?
9	A Yes.
10	Q Okay.
11	A It's the operative report, just
12	like it says.
13	Q So the date of this procedure,
14	can you just confirm what the date of the
15	procedure was?
16	A Yeah; 6/16/2021.
17	Q Thank you. And what was the
18	procedure here?
19	A It says it's left knee medial
20	meniscus root repair, along with a left
21	knee lateral meniscus repair, along with
22	left knee microfracture chondroplasty.
23	Q All right. And can you just
2 4	describe to me, in layman terms, what that
25	means?

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A Sure. It means that Dr. Vaksha repaired the cushion between the two bones on the inside of the knee and outside of the knee. What he also did was create a small opening in the bone to get out the stem cells to help in healing of whatever he did.

Q All right. Thank you. And is -- this is the procedure that AA Medical filed a lawsuit over? Is that correct?

A I believe so.

Q Okay. Did AA Medical have to get preapproval for this procedure from the patient's insurance company?

A We get a preapproval for all our elective cases, so I'm sure we get -- got a preapproval for this one too. I'll have to look in the chart to see what date and what number. But as -- as a procedure, we always get a preapproval for all elective cases. Without that, the hospital does not authorize the procedure. We do not do the procedure -- cannot do the procedure

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2	without that.
3	Q So that's St. Catherine
4	wouldn't have allowed the surgeon to
5	perform without preapproval?
6	A That's right.
7	Q And you said that AA Medical
8	gets preapproval for all elective
9	procedures?
10	A That's correct.
11	Q So this procedure on June 16,
12	2021, that was elective?
13	A Yes.
14	Q Okay. And so when you went
15	when AA Medical goes for preapproval, is
16	that to whom is that directed towards?
17	Who do they make that request to?
18	A To the insurance company.
19	Q And this patient, do you know
20	who his insurance company was?
21	A I'll have to look it up, but I'm
22	guessing probably the Health Fund that we
23	are talking about today.
2 4	Q Do you know for sure?
25	A I will have to look it up.

Page 16 1 N. KARKARE 2 Q Okay. Well, how does AA Medical determine who the patient's insurance 3 provider is? 4 5 Oh. Well, we get the insurance 6 information from the patient, and then we 7 contact the insurance company, do 8 eligibility verification, and put it in 9 the chart. 10 So is AA Medical requesting 11 copies of the patient's insurance card? 12 Α Yeah. We do that when the 13 patient comes to the office. 14 0 Is there any other information 15 that you request from the -- that AA 16 Medical requests from the patients in 17 order to determine who their insurance 18 company is? 19 Α The insurance company No. member ID and the insurance company name. 20 21 That's it. 22 And so before this surgery could 23 have taken place on June 16, 2021, AA 24 Medical would have had to contact the 25 patient's insurance company and get

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2	preapproval for these operations?
3	A Like I said before, yes.
4	Q I'm going to stop the screen
5	share. I may come back to it later, but I
6	don't need it for right now.
7	So to your knowledge, does AA
8	has AA Medical had patients covered by the
9	Iron Workers Health Fund before?
10	A Probably. I'll have to run a
11	report. Then I can tell you.
12	Q When you say "run a report,"
13	what do you mean by that?
14	A Run a report of insurances and
15	tell which patients were treated by which
16	insurance company by us.
17	Q All right. So has AA Medical
18	ever submitted a claim are you aware of
19	AA Medical submitting claims to the Iron
20	Workers Health Fund before?
21	A We probably did, if we saw the
22	patient.
23	Q Are you personally familiar with
24	any claims that have been submitted to the
25	Iron Workers Health Fund?

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2	A No. I'll have to run a report,
3	like I said before.
4	Q Okay. So I want to take a step
5	back. So when AA Medical performed no.
6	Actually, let me confirm this. I know you
7	were not the treating physician on June
8	16, 2021. Who was the treating physician?
9	A Dr. Vedant Vaksha.
10	Q And he is an employee of AA
11	Medical?
12	A That's right.
13	Q All right. Thank you. So when
14	AA Medical performs an elective surgery,
15	like the one like this one, who
16	generates the bill that who generates
17	the bill?
18	A Well, the billing department.
19	Q And who does anyone have to
20	approve that bill before it gets sent out?
21	A Yes.
22	Q Who has to approve the bill?
23	A The surgeon submits the codes.
24	The surgeon approves the codes. The
25	billing department sends out the bill.

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2	Q And how soon after a surgery is
3	performed does the bill go out, generally?
4	A Base, two weeks.
5	Q Is that an automated process, or
6	is somebody in the billing department
7	manually doing this work?
8	A Manually doing this work.
9	Q And do you know how the billing
10	department sends the bill? Are they
11	mailing it, faxing it? Do you know?
12	A It's sent electronically to the
13	clearing house, unless there are some
14	insurance which don't accept electronic
15	claims there. Then we the claims to
16	paper and send it. And a electronic
17	medical record company does that for us.
18	Q What's the name of that company?
19	A We currently use Athena.
20	Q Is that A-T-H-E-N-A?
21	A Correct. You're very good at
22	understanding my accent, I must say.
23	Q Well, thank you. I think you're
24	pretty clear, for what it's worth.
25	A All right.

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         Q
               So bear with me just one moment.
3
    I'll just share my screen again. All
    right. Can you see this?
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5
         Α
               Yep.
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               This is on page 12 of
7
    Plaintiff's document production.
8
    Karkare, is this the bill?
9
         Α
               Yeah.
10
               Okay. And I see -- it says
11
    "Signature on File." That's just the
12
    patient's signature that you have on file;
13
    correct?
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               "Patient's authorized" -- yeah.
         Α
15
    That's what it reads there, so that's what
16
    I would assume.
17
               Now, did you personally see this
    bill before it went out?
18
19
               No. I -- I don't see every bill
         Α
20
    that goes out.
21
         0
               Okay.
22
         Α
               The surgeon reviews the codes.
23
    The billing department sends out those
24
    codes.
25
         Q
               All right. And do you know if
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2	AA Medical got paid on this bill?
3	A I'll have to look up the amount,
4	and if I got paid, and on which code.
5	Q Okay. Let's scroll up to
6	this is page 10 of the document
7	production. Are you familiar with this
8	document, sir?
9	A Yeah.
10	Q Okay. What is this document?
11	A This looks like appeal form sent
12	by Donna Aiello, our billing
13	administrator.
14	Q All right. Do you know how
15	Donna Aiello would have sent this?
16	A Probably, as I said, you know,
17	electronically faxed it, or if the
18	insurance company doesn't accept
19	electronic faxes, we could have mailed it
20	to the insurance company. Again, like I
21	said, I will have to look up exactly how
22	it was sent.
23	Q So AA Medical would have some
24	sort of a record of how they sent this
25	particular bill?

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2	A Absolutely.
3	Q All right. I am going to make a
4	request for whatever that record is that
5	would show how this was sent.
6	A Okay.
7	Q I'll follow up with your
8	attorney on that.
9	A Okay. All right.
10	Q Now, so this document that we're
11	looking at was this something that you
12	would have seen before it went out?
13	A No.
14	Q Okay. And I see that it was
15	addressed "Attention: Iron Workers Claim
16	Department." Do you have any are you
17	personally familiar with the claim
18	department at the Iron Workers Health
19	Fund?
20	A No.
21	Q Is there anyone who works for AA
22	Medical who would know, who would have
23	that familiarity?
24	A I mean, our billing team would
25	know more about the claim department and,

Page 23 1 N. KARKARE 2 you know, which fax number it was sent to, 3 or was it mailed, or how it came to you. 4 So would Donna Aiello have Q 5 personal knowledge as to how a claim like 6 this was sent out? 7 Α Yeah. 8 Do you know if AA Medical 9 received any response to this 10 communication? 11 Again, like I said, I'll have to 12 look at the records. For the record, 13 going forward, anything that I don't see on the screen, I will have to look up, 14 15 like I said before. 16 Well, so then, I'll ask this 17 sort of generally. Do you have any 18 personal knowledge, generally, about bills 19 that go out and the communications with 20 the insurance companies? 21 I'm the one who set the 22 protocols. Do I review every bill, every 23 claim that goes out? No. I cannot do 24 that. 25 Q All right. So you generally

Page 24 1 N. KARKARE 2 know what the protocols are for getting 3 the bills out, but --4 Α Correct. Yeah. 5 -- but for these bills, you 6 don't have any recollection of seeing 7 them? 8 Α Like I said, it's No. 9 impossible for me to see every claim that 10 goes out. I'm a practicing orthopedic 11 surgeon, and we have a billing team who 12 sends out the -- virtual connectivity 13 interruption --14 I'm just going to move to page 15 17 of the document production. All right. 16 Can you see this? 17 Α Yeah. 18 So tell me, if you know, what 19 this document is? 20 I'm just moving the screen a Α 21 little away so, you know, the camera may 22 be pointing a little upward. "Records 23 indicate that claims for the -- were 24 underpaid. We're requesting that you send 25 the plan documents." Yeah. So just like

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2
    it says, "we are requesting the plan
3
    documents, and we are also appealing this
4
    claim."
5
               All right. Now, I note that
    this is dated September 28, 2021.
6
                                         And the
7
    last document we looked at on page 10 of
8
    the production is dated December 15, 2021.
9
         Α
               Okay.
10
               Do you know why -- do you know
11
    why the earlier document is addressed to
12
    the appeal department and the later
13
    document is addressed to the claims
14
    department?
15
               No. I don't know.
                                    But a
16
    possibility is that the insurance company
17
    asked us to do that.
18
               And I see on the top here -- and
         Q
19
    I'll highlight it -- a fax number.
                                          Ιs
20
    that -- do you know what that fax number
21
    is?
22
         Α
               No.
                    The fax number on this
23
    appeal; that's all I know.
24
               Okay.
                      So is that AA Medical's
         Q
25
    fax number?
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2	A No. No. Our fax number is
3	below.
4	Q Is that the 212 number here?
5	A Correct.
6	Q Thank you. And sorry. Do
7	you have any personal knowledge as to how
8	this bill was sent to the appeal
9	department?
10	A No. Like I said before, I'll
11	have to look it up. Looking at this, it
12	may have been faxed, but I'm not sure.
13	Q All right. I'm going to request
14	a copy of whatever record would show how
15	this was sent to the health sent to the
16	appeal department.
17	A Okay.
18	Q So I see that in this document,
19	AA Medical claims that it was underpaid.
20	When AA Medical believes that a claim is
21	underpaid, do you what does AA does
22	AA Medical send any sort of documentation
23	to support what they claim they should be
24	paid?
25	A The billed amount is clearly

Page 27 1 N. KARKARE 2 mentioned in the submitted claim. Any 3 amount less than the billed amount is underpayment. 4 5 Do you know if AA Medical 6 receives an explanation of benefits from 7 the Health Fund? 8 Did they receive an explanation Α 9 of benefits? I would have to look at the 10 chart if they did. 11 Do you know, is AA Medical an 12 in-network healthcare provider for the 13 Health Fund? 14 We are out-of-network provider. Α 15 Q If AA Medical is underpaid, does 16 the billing department get you involved 17 with the appeal? 18 Α No. No. 19 Other than setting up the Q 20 protocols, do you have any direct 21 involvement with the billing process for 22 AA Medical? 23 I personally order charts 24 occasionally to make sure everything is 25 exactly the way it should be.

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2	Q And are you so are you
3	auditing the process, or you're auditing
4	particular bills?
5	A Everything.
6	Q I'm sorry. Did you say
7	"everything"?
8	A Yes.
9	Q Okay. And if an insurance
10	company denies a claim, are you personally
11	involved with AA Medical's appeal of the
12	denied claim?
13	A Like I said, no; not for every
14	appeal that goes out.
15	Q And for the service at issue in
16	this case that was performed on June 16,
17	2021, you weren't involved with the
18	billing of that procedure; correct?
19	A That's right.
20	Q And you weren't involved with
21	the appeal of the denial of claims?
22	A Yeah. Like I said before, I
23	wasn't involved in that.
24	Q And is Donna Aiello is she
25	the person who would have the I'll

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2	strike the question. The form I'm looking
3	at identifies Donna Aiello as the billing
4	administrator. Is she still AA Medical's
5	billing administrator?
6	A Yes; she is.
7	Q Okay. And is Ms. Aiello
8	personally involved with getting the bills
9	out and submitting appeals?
10	A There's somebody who submits the
11	bills, but she follows up on them, and
12	she's in charge of the appeals.
13	Q Would Ms. Aiello is Ms.
14	Aiello likely to have knowledge as to
15	how whether or not AA Medical appealed
16	this denial of claims?
17	A Yeah. Absolutely.
18	Q Okay.
19	A I mean, what I see here is that
20	she's the one who appealed it.
21	MR. KEANE: Can we go off the record
22	for a second?
23	THE REPORTER: Sure thing. Off the
24	record, 12:41.
25	(Off the record.)

Page 30 1 N. KARKARE 2 THE REPORTER: Back on the record, 3 1:01 p.m.4 MR. KEANE: Thank you. 5 BY MR. KEANE: 6 0 All right. So I have a couple 7 of questions. I do just want to state 8 that I will be following up with your 9 attorney, Dr. Karkare, regarding some 10 information requests for some records you 11 referenced, you know, and the Defendant 12 reserves their right to call Donna Aiello 13 as a witness. 14 You know, as I had mentioned in 15 the -- during the conference before the 16 magistrate on July 31st, the Health Fund 17 was most interested in speaking with 18 someone who had personal knowledge of the 19 appeal that was filed by AA Medical. 20 we reserve our right to call an additional 21 witness with more knowledge than you about 22 that. But we'll see what those -- what 23 the records produced say. 24 So just a couple of final -- a 25 couple of, hopefully, quick questions for

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2	you, Dr. Karkare.
3	A Sure.
4	Q Are you familiar with the
5	Journal of Arthroscopy?
6	A Yeah.
7	Q Okay. Are you aware that in an
8	amended complaint in this case your prior
9	attorney cited a few a couple of
10	articles from the Journal of Arthroscopy?
11	A I know they cited some
12	scientific literature.
13	Q Okay. Are you aware of what
14	those what that literature was?
15	A I would have to look up the
16	literature that was submitted.
17	Q And to your knowledge, was any
18	of that literature ever submitted to the
19	Health Fund?
20	A I'll have to look it up.
21	Q Okay. Are you aware that your
22	attorneys, in responding to discovery,
23	have already said that literature was
24	never submitted to the Health Fund?
25	A I'll have to look it up.

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2	Q Okay.
3	A What I can tell you, as a
4	protocolist they ask for something, we
5	do submit it. If it were asked, it would
6	have been submitted.
7	Q All right. Thank you. And are
8	you familiar with any other lawsuits that
9	AA Medical has filed against my client in
10	the past?
11	A I'll have to look it up.
12	MR. KEANE: Thank you. No further
13	questions.
14	THE WITNESS: Thank you.
15	MR. MILUN: I don't have any
16	questions.
17	THE REPORTER: All right. We're off
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- (A) to review the transcript or recording; and
- (B) if there are changes in form or substance, to sign a statement listing the changes and the reasons for making them.
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